GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
LOK SABHA

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Action against Terrorists
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Will the Minister of EXTERNAL AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether India has raised the issue of terror activities from across the border including terrorist training camps running in Pakistan Occupied Kashmir (PoK) as well as in other parts at the International level;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the response of Pakistan thereto during the past one year; and

(c) the initiatives taken/proposed to be taken by the Government to fight the menace of terrorism at the global level?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF EXTERNAL AFFAIRS
(SHRIMATI SUSHMA SWARAJ)

(a) to (c) A statement is laid on the Table of the

STATEMENT REFERRED TO IN REPLY TO PARTS (a) TO (c) OF LOK SABHA STARRED QUESTION NO. 246 REGARDING "ACTION AGAINST TERRORISTS" FOR ANSWER ON 16.12.2015

Government has taken up on a number of occasions bilaterally with Pakistan, and also where required with international community, our concerns regarding cross-border terrorism.

As a result of the Government's consistent pursuit of the matter, several individuals including Hafiz Saeed, and entities including Lashkar-e-Toyaba/ Jamaat-ud-Dawaa have been listed under the relevant provisions of the United Nations Security Council's Resolution No. 1267 which deals with Al Qaeda and related organisations. Also, Government of Pakistan arrested the suspects for perpetrating the Mumbai terrorist attack of 2008 and a trial is underway in Pakistan in this regard.

Government actively discusses the issue of terrorism in all its forms and manifestations in multilateral fora including UN, EU, SCO, ARF, BIMSTEC, SAARC, GCTF etc. and bilaterally with several countries, including all P-5 countries, in Joint Working Groups (JWG) on Counter Terrorism. In last one year meetings of eight of the MEA-led 23 JWGs were held.

Following Prime Minister's conversation with Prime Minister of Pakistan Nawaz Sharif during COP-21 Summit in Paris on 30 November 2015 and in line with the Ufa understanding between the two leaders, the National Security Advisors (NSAs) of the two countries met in Bangkok on 6 December 2015. They held candid and constructive discussions. During my recent visit to Pakistan on 8-9 December 2015, the two sides decided that the NSAs will continue to address all issues connected to terrorism. The Indian side was assured of the steps being taken to expedite the early conclusion of the Mumbai trial.

Government will continue to take all necessary steps to safeguard the nation's security and safety of all our